IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 has been amended as follows:

1. (Currently amended) In an acoustic meter assembly having a measurement chamber for receiving a pressurized fluid at a fluid pressure to be monitored, and having an acoustic transducer with opposite front and rear surfaces disposed to interact with said pressurized fluid as participation monitoring said fluid pressure, the improvement of a holder for said acoustic transducer comprising:

a receiving station in which said acoustic transducer is locatable to expose said front surface thereof to said fluid pressure in the measurement chamber; and

a pressure transfer arrangement for communicating said pressurized fluid from ~~pressure between~~ the measurement chamber ~~and~~ to the rear surface of the transducer and substantially equalizing said fluid pressure at said front surface and said rear surface of said transducer.

2. (Original) A holder as claimed in claim 1 wherein said pressure transfer arrangement comprises a pressurizing chamber in pressure communication with said rear surface of said transducer, and a plurality of conduits for transferring pressurized fluid between the pressurizing chamber and the measurement chamber.

Claim 3 has been amended as follows:

3. (Currently amended) A holder as claimed in claim 2 wherein said ~~transducer~~ receiving station comprises a plurality of through holes, and wherein said holder comprises an end cap cooperating with said through holes and said ~~transducer~~ receiving section to define said plurality of conduits and to form said pressurizing chamber.